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CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Administrator Pruitt's travel

Louise –

On background, want to make sure you saw this Washington Post article from March 20, 2018 as they reported on this.

- **Washington Post: New documents show nearly \$68,000 in recent premium flights, hotel stays for EPA's Pruitt.** https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/energy-environment/wp/2018/03/20/new-documents-show-nearly-68000-in-recent-premium-flights-hotel-stays-for-epas-pruitt/?utm_term=.bed7a2ddae44

Additionally, regarding international travel we wanted to make sure you saw these two stories from Fox News and the New York Post:

- **Fox News: Obama's EPA appointees spent as much, or more, on travel than Trump's Pruitt, data show.** <http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2018/03/22/obamas-epa-appointees-spent-as-much-or-more-on-travel-than-trumps-pruitt-data-show.amp.html>
- **New York Post: Scott Pruitt slammed for spending less on travel than Obama's EPA chiefs.** <https://nypost.com/2018/03/23/scott-pruitt-in-hot-water-for-spending-less-on-travel-than-obamas-epa-chiefs/amp/>

Finally, here is our on-the-record statement:

- **"We have responded to Chairman Gowdy. The letter explains, EPA's Protective Service Detail identified specific ongoing threats associated with Administrator Pruitt's travel and shifted his class based on certain security protocols that require him to be near the front of the plane."** – EPA spokesman, Jahan Wilcox

From: Radnofsky, Louise [mailto:louise.radnofsky@wsj.com]
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To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Administrator Pruitt's travel

All:

I received a copy of the administrator's travel records through FOIA today. My understanding of the documents, after reviewing them, is that they show dozens of short domestic flights in which he flew first class and incurred four-figure bills for tickets as a result. And in all, with two international trips and a handful of chartered and military flights, Mr. Pruitt's travel costs exceeded \$150,000 in the year after he became administrator.

I'd welcome comment from you, both on the tally and on the substantive issue. Please let me know.

Best,
Louise Radnofsky

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The Wall Street Journal

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